



## Town of Discovery Bay

<b>Program Area:</b> Parks and Landscaping	<b>Policy Name:</b> Park Usage Rental Policy	<b>Policy Number:</b> 013
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### **I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Park & Facility Usage and Rental Policy outlines specific regulations and requirements associated with the permitted rental of a public facility and/or area within the Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District (District) owned or operated park. Obtaining a permit shall grant the user basic usage and access rights for the approved purpose and time only. Any fees or deposits established by the District Board of Directors shall be paid by the applicant before the effective date of the permit. All users shall comply with County, State and Federal laws.

The District reserves the right to cancel, revoke or suspend any and all reservations, permits and applications if deemed inappropriate, flagrantly disrespectful or if harmful activities are taking place in the park or facility. No notice is required and, in some cases, the Sheriff will be notified and enforcement action will be requested. Violations of this policy may result in forfeiture of fees and/ or deposit.

Facilities and parks available for rental include:

1. Cornell Park, Tennis Court
2. Cornell Park, Pickle Ball Courts
3. Cornell Park, Baseball Field
4. Cornell Park, Soccer Field
5. Cornell Park, Shaded Picnic Area
6. Cornell Park, Horse Shoe Pits or Bocce Courts
7. Ravenswood Park, Covered Picnic Area 1
8. Ravenswood Park, Covered Picnic Area 2
9. Ravenswood Park, Soccer Field
10. Community Center, Tennis Court(s)
11. Community Center, BBQ Area
12. Community Center, Reception Area
13. Community Center, Arts and Crafts/Meeting Room
14. Community Center, Multi-Purpose Room
15. Community Center, Event lawn
16. Community Center, Swimming Pool

## **II. ELIGIBILITY & PRIORITY**

The District reserves the right to exclude or remove activities it deems inappropriate for public use. District business will take precedence over any and all other meetings. Groups that have a reservation in advance are subject to cancellations, in rare circumstances, to accommodate this priority. All fees will be returned to the user if the District requires a cancellation or relocation of the reserved event.

In issuing permits, priority shall be given to Discovery Bay residents and events serving the Discovery Bay community.

## **III. RESERVATION REQUIREMENTS**

The renter must be over 18 years of age, and submit a complete Reservation Form to the District offices, a refundable damage deposit, and all applicable user fees and insurance as described in Insurance Requirements. Renters are required to provide the name and phone number of the principal contact person and a secondary contact. This person must be present onsite during the approved rental period and will be the emergency contact, and is responsible for ensuring compliance with the policies outlined. A copy of the permit must be onsite and available upon request by District staff or representatives during approved rental period.

Single day reservation may be made up to one (1) year in advance. Long-term league reservations may be made up to four (4) months in advance, unless previously approved by the Town of Discovery Bay CSD Board of Directors.

No reservation or agreement will be issued or signed until the requesting user has paid the applicable deposits and fees.

**Insurance Requirements:** All sports leagues, organizations, groups over 50, or inflatable play equipment operators are required to provide the District with a valid Certificate of Liability Insurance (in the amount of \$1,000,000.00), with the Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District listed as an additionally insured. Insurance Certificates must be submitted to the District at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled reservation.

**Cancellations:** Park Rental cancellations occurring five (5) business days or more prior to the event will be refunded all fees and deposits. Cancellations occurring four (4) business days or less prior to the event will forfeit all applicable fees but be refunded all of the deposit.

Cancellation for Indoor Facility Rentals at the Community Center occurring sixty (60) days or more prior to the event will be refunded all fees and deposits. Cancellations less than sixty (60) days, but more than thirty (30) days prior to the event date will forfeit 25% of the total fees. Cancellations less than thirty (30) days prior to the event date, but more than fifteen (15) days prior to the event date will forfeit 50% of the total fees. Cancellations occurring less than fifteen (15) days prior to the event date will forfeit all applicable fees. In all cases of cancellation, the deposit shall be returned.

Cancellation fees above do not reflect any cancellation processing fees. Processing fees are in addition to the cancellation fees described here.

**Clean Up:** Renters are required to clean up and return the park or area to the original condition. Trash must be placed in the receptacles provided. Trash that does not fit in the trash receptacle must be disposed of properly by the renter.

Reasonable party decorations are permitted. However, users may not put staples or nails into any tree, sign, wall or table for any purpose. All decorations must be taken down and removed from the facility.

**Deposit Forfeiture:** Renter agrees to take full responsibility for the behavior of their guests during the rental period. Children must be supervised at all times by adults. Any charges for damage to the park or facility or its furnishings will be deducted from the deposit. Rentals that exceed the reserved time period will be charged the hourly rate to be deducted from the deposit. Failure to leave the rented area in satisfactory condition will result in deposit forfeiture. Upon a satisfactory inspection of the premises by District staff, the deposit check will be destroyed or returned to the applicant.

**Prohibited Activities:** No person shall consume, possess, sell, serve or cause to be served, any alcoholic beverage of any kind within any park area, unless expressly authorized in advance of the event by the Board of Directors. The General Manager, or designee, is authorized to approve service of alcoholic beverages for private events taking place at the Discovery Bay Community Center once a complete and approved application is received and all insurance requirements and other conditions of approval are approved. See Special Conditions regarding the serving and or/sale of Alcoholic beverages, below. Fires and barbecues (BBQ) shall be permitted only in grills already provided in the park. There shall be no overnight events or camping at any Discovery Bay park facility unless expressly authorized in advance of the event by the Board of Directors.

Gambling activities are expressly prohibited at all Town of Discovery Bay Parks and Recreation facilities. Individuals or groups of individuals in violation of this prohibited activity shall immediately cease the prohibited activity. Failure to cease shall result in the immediate notification of local law enforcement authorities.

Renter agrees that they will comply with all state and local laws including but not limited to activities that require a state or local permit. At the discretion of the General Manager, or designee, security may be required on a case by case basis.

Special Conditions regarding the serving and or/sale of Alcoholic beverages:

If alcohol is to be served or sold, it must be indicated on the rental application. The General Manager or Board of Directors, as identified above, must approve any application which includes consumption or sale of alcohol. Once approved, it is the responsibility and liability of the Renter and/or organization renting the facility. At the discretion of the General Manager, or designee, security may be required on a case by case basis.

To sell alcoholic beverages at your event, a valid alcohol permit from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (A.B.C.) must be obtained. The permit must be on file with the District offices at least ten (10) days prior to your event.

Food and Alcohol may be consumed without an Alcohol permit from the A.B.C. when there is no monetary exchange for the food, beverages or admission charged for the event.

Violation of any of these requirements will result in immediate termination of Renter's event and will result in forfeiture of the damage deposit.

The District may require additional deposits, insurance and/or security for events where alcohol is served. These additional requirements will be determined by the circumstances of each rental request.

**Food Preparation:** Food and non-alcoholic beverages may be served, but not prepared on site for any indoor facility rentals at the Community Center.

**Exhibitions, Events, Festivals, Meeting and Assemblies:** Any person, group, society, club or organization wishing to set up or maintain any exhibition, place of amusement, concert, picture show, bandstand, performance, entertainment or other form of amusement or function where the expected attendance is fifty (50) people or more occupying the park at any one time, must first obtain written authorization from the District's General Manager. These types of requests must be submitted no less than sixty (60) days prior to the event.

#### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

Any policy listed herein may be waived or modified on a case-by-case basis and at the discretion of the Board of Directors. The General Manager, or designee, may waive or modify any time sensitive provision of this policy.

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